

**Weather Forecast**  
Increasing cloudiness. Showers  
in central portion.

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**THREE MURDERERS  
TO CHAIR FOR  
KILLING A DRIVER**  
With Song and Prayer  
Each Enters the  
Death House.

**ANOTHER YOUNG MEN  
Describe Their Crime to  
Bad Associates While  
Young**  
(By Associated Press)  
Columbia, S. C., June 16.—J. Kirby, Jesse Gappins and C. O. Fox were executed at the penitentiary this morning shortly after 6 o'clock for the murder of William Brazeel, Columbia taxi driver, near Leesville, the night of August 7, last. The trio went to their deaths singing and praying. Kirby went first, he feigned insanity and tried to get his hands from the straps. The officers told him he better take it, but a second time he slipped his hands from the straps. Then four men took hold of him, the straps were made tighter, and the current went through his body. Because of contrary behavior, Kirby was denied the privilege of making a last statement. Gappins went second and Fox last, the entire process taking forty minutes. Fox and Gappins made statements in which they warned young men not to have bad company and evil company.

Penitentiary officials took the men by surprise and staged the execution at an early hour instead of the usual execution hour. It was the first time a white man has been executed in this state since 1913. The first time three men were executed in the state the day before.

The three men were convicted last November 14, 1921, of the murder of William Brazeel, a young taxi driver of Columbia. They were first sentenced to die October 21, but appealed, which were never perfected, and postponement of the date and rescheduling necessary.

The murder was committed during the night of August 7, 1921. The young man took the taxi to Lexington to "see some one." When they got about 15 miles from Columbia they blackjacked the young driver, their aim being to take his car and sell it in Florida. The blackjack broke and they stabbed him to death to get away with the car, according to their confession. They were later arrested in Georgia and for several days they were chased through Georgia and North Carolina by a mob of men bent on lynching them.

**New Government  
Is Announced in  
China by Assembly**  
(By Associated Press)  
Peking, June 16.—The proclamation of a new form of government in Manchuria was published by the assemblies representing provinces provides that each province shall govern itself while the Manchuria as still a part of China, and names Chang Tso Lin as chief of all the troops.

**San Army Advances**  
June 16.—Northward advance of the army sympathetic to the republic, as brought it near to the city. Repeating Kiangsu province to be towns. General Fu is blocking the advance of 20,000 troops.

**Priests Are  
Killed When Truck  
Slips Embankment**  
(By Associated Press)  
St. Fe, N. M., June 16.—Brother Charles Le Puy, president of St. Joseph's College here, was killed when a motor truck carrying fourteen christian brothers and students dived over an embankment near Gorieta in the mountains.

# Palatka Daily News

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**Good Morning—**  
The world is an excellent judge  
in general, but a bad one in particular.—Greenville.

PRICE FIVE CENTS

## Still Searching for Attackers of Richmond Children

(By Associated Press)  
Richmond, Va., June 16.—Search was being continued by the police here today for the two negroes who late yesterday attempted to attack a 10-year-old white girl and her six-year-old boy companion, in some woods near her home in the northern outskirts of Richmond. The negroes, who were frightened off by the children's screams without doing serious injury to them, are believed to have headed north in the direction of Acca, Va. The police, who declare they know the identity of the negroes, say they are about 17 years of age and that one of them recently was released from a reformatory.

## OVERWHELMING IS SENTIMENT FOR A RAILROAD STRIKE

**Believed Vote Will Be  
Nearest Unanimous  
Ever Polled**

(By Associated Press)  
Chicago, June 16.—On the eve of another railway clash, expected to cost nearly \$30,000,000 from the railroads' annual labor bill covering 325,000 employees, gossip in rail circles centered today on the question of whether, if a strike ballot authorized the men to quit, a walkout will actually take place. Reports from headquarters of the railway employees' department of the American Federation of Labor were that 100 per cent vote was expected and that indications thus far were that it would be overwhelmingly in favor of a strike.

**May Notify Board.**  
(By Associated Press)  
Cincinnati, Ohio, June 16.—Rail union chiefs were considering today serving formal notice on the railroad labor board that an overwhelming majority of the 1,225,000 shop craft and maintenance of way employees were voting in favor of a strike on July 1, and that the officers of the union would abide by the decision of the workers.

The notice, in effect, would formally communicate to the board the public statement issued here last night by the union heads which asserted that the board in ordering wage reductions, "had so reduced living standards that the strike becomes an act of self-preservation." The statement also blamed the attitude of railroad managers as provocative of a strike.

The union heads have been in conference most of this week considering questions related to the canvass of the strike vote. With the more than 500,000 coal miners already on strike, a walkout by rail workers would affect a second of the country's basic industries. No claims have yet been made as to the probable extent of a transportation tieup, but as soon as the American Federation of Labor convention closes the rail union executives will leave for Chicago to begin on June 25 a canvass of the strike vote, which is expected to be completed by that time.

The strike would not include members of the "big four" transportation brotherhoods, whose members are engaged directly in moving trains. Before the close of the convention the rail executives may ask the federation's endorsement of a strike by the shop craft and maintenance of way workers, similar to the endorsement given by the federation yesterday to the miners' strike.

**QUAKE IN ARIZONA**  
Yuma, Ariz., June 16.—Three earthquake shocks were felt here yesterday. Many residents were aroused from sleep from the first tremble. The others followed at 30-minute intervals. None of the shocks was severe, nor of long duration and no damage was done.

Faint east of Santa Fe yesterday. The brothers and students were on an outing. Brother Charelmagne was an outing. Brother Charelmagne was head of colleges at Nantes, France, and Queretaro, Mexico, and was also located at Pocantico Hills, N. Y., before he came to Santa Fe.

## MINERS DIGGING COALAS MACHINE GUNNERS PATROL

**Illinois Strip Mines Open  
After Being Closed 2  
Months**

## OPERATORS STUBBORN

**Will Not Treat With In-  
terstate Joint Con-  
ference**

(By Associated Press)  
Herrin, Ill., June 16.—Guarded by two lines of men armed with machine guns sixty men began the production of coal at a strip mine six miles east of here today. This is the first coal mined in Illinois since the strike became effective April 1.

**Indiana Operators Pull Out.**  
Terre Haute, Ind., June 16.—Coal mine operators in Indiana are no longer willing to enter into an interstate joint wage conference with the miners of this state in effecting a strike settlement, spokesmen for the operators reiterated today. Declaration of the intention to hold out for settlement by a state agreement was contained in a statement issued last night by the policy committee of the Indiana Bituminous Coal Operators' association. Similar action was taken recently by the Illinois operators.

## Further Stories of Ill Treatment From Turk Missionaries

(By Associated Press)  
Constantinople, June 16.—Further tales of the persecution of American relief workers in Asia Minor by the Turks are told by J. Herbert Knapp and Bessy Bannerman Murdoch, who have arrived here from Arabkir.

Mr. Knapp, director of the Arabkir unit of the American committee for relief in the near east, reported to American authorities, that for eight months he and Miss Murdoch virtually were prisoners in an orphanage near Egin, and were not allowed to visit the village or to receive American visitors.

He cited further instances of the deportation of Armenians and said the roads over which they travelled while being driven from place to place are strewn with bodies.

Miss Murdoch's home is in Chicago.

## Chinese Arrested to Prevent Clash in Nogales, Mex.

Nogales, Ariz., June 16.—Fearing an armed clash between factions of the Chinese royalist and republican parties, police and soldiers in Nogales, Sonora, across the border, have under arrest 18 Chinese.

The Chinese were armed with pistols and hatchets and had congregated from various parts of Sonora as the result of ill feeling which is said to have grown out of long wars in California as well as enmity between the groups supporting the two opposing national parties in China.

The police said there have been ten murders recently in Sonora chargeable to the feud.

## Boaz Says Pals Up Against Many Bumps on Road

A long-distance telephone message to The News this morning from J. B. Boaz, who is managing the Pals on the present road trip, says that members of the Pals' line-up were not keeping regular hours and were frolicking too much were without foundation.

The trouble is, Mr. Boaz said, that the clubs the Pals have met have raked the country for ball players, have swapped them back and forth and engaged amateur umpires who are naturally "homers." This, and strange grounds, that were several inches deep in mud, somewhat upset the morale of the Pals. He says he is sure the club will be able to re-deem itself with some slight changes.

## Firemen Still Are Playing Water on Summer Home

(By Associated Press)  
New York, June 16.—Firemen today still were playing water upon the smouldering ruins that yesterday had been a half square mile of summer dwellings at Arverne, L. I.

More than four hundred buildings, from summer homes costing \$25,000 to little gungalows worth \$2,000 and hotels were destroyed, rendering 20,000 persons temporarily homeless. The property damage is estimated at \$2,000,000.

Thousands of homeless families spent the night on the beaches.

## DEATH OF MRS. FRANK BRUCE A SHOCK TO CITY

**Bride of Few Weeks Is  
Dead at Home of Her  
Parents**

Mrs. Frank M. Bruce, nee Miss Irene Yeverton, died this morning shortly after 10 o'clock at the residence of her father, J. H. Yelverton Jr., on Oak street, after an illness of several months. The entire community has waited in fear for many days for the dread announcement, but when it came its anticipation did not allay the grief of those who hope to the very last that nature would win. Few deaths in Palatka have brought such a keen sense of personal loss to so many as did that of Mrs. Bruce, bride of some two months, and whose romance reached such a fateful ending.

Only a circle of immediate friends knew that Miss Yelverton and Frank M. Bruce had been married, and were only waiting the time when the nuptial event could be announced, attended by her complete recovery from her illness. Their engagement was announced in January, and it was generally understood that the wedding would take place in June, but the serious malady which caused death interrupted all plans, and it was decided by the happy young couple during March to take the marriage vows quietly, and announce them at a more propitious moment.

Mrs. Bruce was born at Hastings, Fla., twenty years ago, and her mother died when she was a few years old. When her father moved to Palatka she attended the public school and graduated from the Putnam High School. Later she attended the Florida State College for Women, but was forced to give up her studies on account of illness early last fall.

In every community lives one or more girls whose sunny dispositions, unselfish natures and high characters mark them as objects of affectionate regard by young and old, and no girl in Palatka ever was more generally loved than Irene Yelverton, and community grief has never been more genuinely felt than in today's announcement.

The funeral will take place tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock from the late residence, the service being in charge of Rev. J. F. Savell, pastor of the First Baptist church. Interment will be in West View cemetery.

## Frady Trial Will Be Held January

(By Associated Press)  
Miami, June 16.—The trial of Edgar C. Frady of Chicago, charged with the murder of his wife here last February, was delayed until January 3, 1923, when Judge E. C. Love granted a motion of the defense to postpone the case.

Frady was formerly arraigned in court and pleaded not guilty to the charge of first degree murder. He appeared neatly dressed, but exhibited signs of nervousness.

The defense declared, in the motion, that it was impossible to bring many of its most important witnesses to Miami at this time from the North, where they are now scattered, as they were guests or employees of the hotel where the shooting occurred. The prosecution did not oppose the delay.

## IRISH VOTERS GO TO POLLS TODAY TO ELECT HOUSE

**Coalition Panel of Candi-  
dates Presented to the  
People**

## BELFAST AFIRE AGAIN

**Incendiarism Breaks Out  
Again in Several  
Places**

(By Associated Press)  
Dublin, June 16.—The voters of southern Ireland went to the polls today to elect an Irish parliament as provided under the terms of the Anglo-Irish treaty.

Under the recent agreement between the factions favoring and opposing the treaty, a coalition panel of candidates was presented to the people apportioning representation in the parliament at approximately the same ratio as shown in past tests of strength in the dail eireann.

A number of independents, however, have entered the field and estimates were that at least fifteen of them would be successful, with the anti-treaty party losing ten and the pro-treaty five seats.

Publication last night of the terms of the draft of the Irish constitution, on which the new parliament must pass, was not expected to influence the vote.

## Belfast Aflame Again.

(By Associated Press)  
Belfast, June 16.—The East Side again was the scene of incendiary fires this morning, when flames were started in a soap factory, a motion picture theater and a butcher shop. The fire later spread to an adjoining engineering works. Only one of the industrial plants in the area affected is now intact.

The glare from the burning soap works aroused many citizens from their sleep, and parties of volunteer workers went to the aid of the fire fighters, only to be fired upon by the incendiaries' sympathizers.

## Five Joy Boats Seized by Prohi Sharps Off N. Y.

(By Associated Press)  
New York, June 16.—Five alleged rum running vessels, plying between a steamer anchored in Naragansett Bay and the American coast have been seized by federal agents, United States Attorney Hayward announced yesterday.

The vessels have twice unloaded the steamer Corona of alcohol and whiskey loaded in New York ostensibly for delivery in Greece, Mr. Hayward said.

The Corona, owned by the Globe Steamship Company of New York, and operated under Peruvian registry, put out for Greece last March with a cargo of 40,000 gallons of grain alcohol, according to information gathered by the federal agents. Instead of proceeding to Greece, it is alleged, she anchored in Naragansett Bay and turned her cargo over to the five vessels which delivered it to bootleggers in Newton Creek.

Last month it is alleged, the Corona again cleared for Greece, this time about 2,000 cases of whiskey, which she has taken on at Bermuda. Again she anchored, and turned her cargo over to the American rum runners, it is alleged.

## Negro Who Escaped From Judge Lynch Hanged at Last

(By Associated Press)  
Irwin, Ga., June 16.—Jim Denson, the negro who made a sensational escape from a mob bent on lynching him one night a few weeks ago, and who was later captured and taken to the Bibb county jail for safe keeping on a charge of criminal assault on an aged white woman, was hanged here this morning. The trap was sprung at 10:15 and Denson was pronounced dead five minutes later.

## Father of Eight Keeps Captive a Miss of Fifteen

(By Associated Press)  
Bremerton, Wash., June 16.—That she was held captive six months on a fishing boat was the story told authorities here by Grace Rahman, aged 15, who was taken by her father and police agents from the craft of Elmer Weber, aged 55, a fisherman. She was at her home today. Weber was arrested. The girl disappeared December 26. Her story, police authorities say, was that Weber seized her on the beach near Bremerton, took her aboard his boat, forced her to don boy's clothing, and to cut her hair, and had detained her ever since. Weber is married and has eight children.

## YOUNGER ELEMENT SHAPING POLICIES AT HAGUE CONFAB

**Press Representatives  
Win Out and Are Ad-  
mitted to Meeting**

(By Associated Press)  
The Hague, June 16.—Foreign Minister Van Karnebeek, of Holland, displayed the white flag to newspaper men today and the Carnegie peace palace, seat of the international conference on Russian affairs capitulated to the world's press with a renewal of yesterday's battle for the admission of correspondents here to report the session.

(By Associated Press)  
The Hague, June 16.—The Hague conference, in the absence of the dominating political figures who guided the courses of the international gatherings at Genoa and Washington, seems destined to bring into the limelight another and young group of leaders as representing the great powers.

They include Sir Phillip Lloyd-Graeme of England; M. Benoist, France; Baron Azezzano, Italy; M. Sato, Japan; M. Cattier, Belgium, and M. Van Karnebeek, Holland, and already they have begun their efforts to shape the course of the conference.

A their initial private meeting last night they decided upon the scheme of a main Russian commission, with three subcommissions which would give detailed study to technical questions of credits, debts and treatment of private property owned by foreigners in Russia, which must later be negotiated with the Russians. The details of this project were to be submitted to today's session of the conference.

Meanwhile the war between the press correspondents and Dutch official dom over the right of the former to enter the peace palace, where the conference sits, is affording great amusement to the visitors here, as well as a good laugh to many phlegmatic Hollanders who, like the people of other lands, like to see bureaucracy beaten occasionally. The newspaper men won the first engagement, but another battle seemed likely today.

## Republicans Will Petition Harding to Uphold Dover

(By Associated Press)  
Washington, June 16.—The Blair-Dover controversy in the treasury threatened to break out afresh today when it became known that a petition had been circulated among republican members of congress asking President Harding to uphold the policies of Mr. Dover.

The petition, it was learned today, had received the signatures of about 150 members and plans were being made to present it to the president within the next forty-eight hours.

**HOUSE COMMITTEE TURNS  
DOWN BANKHEAD MOTION**  
(By Associated Press)  
Washington, June 16.—Without a record vote the house merchant marine committee today rejected the Bankhead amendment to the ship subsidy bill providing that no government aid be allowed on ships on which liquor is sold.

## INTERVENTION IN CUBA TO SAVE IT FROM BANKRUPTCY

**Finances of Island in a  
State of Chaos at  
Present**

## TREASURY HEAD QUILTS

**Says Nothing Can Save  
Country From Going  
Into Bankruptcy**

(By Associated Press)  
Washington, June 16.—United States intervention in Cuba July 1 looms as a probability, according to political observers here.

Nothing else can save her from the slough of financial chaos in which she is engulfed, it is believed. Conditions reached a climax with the recent resignation of Sebastian Gelabert, secretary of the treasury, with the declaration that Cuba cannot avoid bankruptcy.

**Blocked by Congress.**  
Gen. Enoch H. Crowder, special commissioner to the island republic from this country, has long been working on the problem of Cuban finances; but his measures to save the country have been blocked by a dilatory and self-seeking Cuban congress. In the last election, held in 1920, Dr. A. Zayas, conservative, was declared elected. But the liberals protested the election had been won by wholesale fraud and intimidation, and General Crowder was dispatched to Cuba by President Wilson to study conditions and to confer with the Cuban president.

He found that the Zayas administration inherited a \$46,000,000 debt and that customs receipts and internal revenue had been reduced almost to the vanishing point. The government's budget was \$134,000,000. This in a country whose total population scarcely exceeds that of Philadelphia and its immediate suburbs! The amount of "graft" and waste can be judged from this.

**Budget Reduced.**  
Under General Crowder's guidance, the national budget was reduced to \$64,000,000 (amid wailing of ousted holders of sinecures) and remedial legislation was proposed. But the Cuban congress wasted the term in passing measures designed to protect "the faithful" in various grafts. The general state of financial affairs in Cuba can be gleaned from a few specific instances:

The government has failed promptly to meet its bonded indebtedness and has fallen months behind in paying its lowest salaried employees, such as street sweepers, policemen, etc. Creditors, both foreign and domestic cannot obtain payment of their debts.

**Turned Out Into Streets.**  
Recently contractors refused to furnish supplies for prisons and hospitals, and criminals and patients were turned out into the streets to beg or steal.

Banks have refused to honor government checks, while pawn shops, usually backed by government officials do a thriving business in discounting the checks at 20, 30 and 40 per cent. They know they will be able to cash them eventually.

Such conditions, brought to a head by the secretary of the treasury's resignation, make it almost impossible for this country to adhere to its "hands off" policy much longer, it is believed.

## Auto Butts Train Off Track and a Young Man Killed

Long Branch, N. J., June 16.—Jerome Stewart, a cadet at West Point, was killed at Allaire near here today when a Pennsylvania railroad train struck his automobile. A young woman accompanying him escaped injury.

**Train Knocked From Track.**  
Philadelphia, June 16.—Eight passengers were injured by the wrecking of a Pennsylvania train at Allaire near Asbury Park today. The accident was due to the train striking an automobile. The engine and baggage car turned over and two coaches were derailed.